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THE COUNTY OFFICIAL PAPER

## THE LAST WORD.

This is the last issue of this paper before the people will be called upon to cast their votes for the various candidates and upon the many measures which are up to the people. The Mist has tried in an impartial way, to give such information as it could on the various measures and has also urged Republicans to vote the Republican ticket. The experience of the business world and people generally which are now being had should be sufficient of itself to cause a general landslide for the Republican candidates. Details of tariff, currency, revenues, etc., are not really necessary for the most of us when we can see that the general policy of the Democratic party always has in the past and is now, causing a general depression in business with consequent hard times and lack of work, while the policies of the Republican party are such that plenty of work, plenty of business and good wages, with high prices for the produce always results. What more could any one ask. What greater reason for voting to put in power the party that brings jobs to the jobless, business for the merchant and good times generally for everybody. It is sufficient and the people of Oregon are going to say next Tuesday that they will restore the Republicans to power.

As to the measures before the people, outside of the two amendments providing for prohibition and the abolishment of capital punishment, there is one which should receive the careful consideration of every voter and one which we again desire to impress on the minds of the voters as an important law. It is the measure requiring full citizenship as a condition for voting. As it stands now any foreigner who has been in this country a short time can go before a county clerk and declare his intention of becoming a citizen. After having done so he can wait one year and then vote, whether he ever does or even intends to take out his final papers. The clerk is a ministerial officer and cannot refuse to issue the intentional papers to any foreigner, and no doubt great numbers of such papers are issued to men who never intend to take out final papers, and could not do so if they wished. This bill should receive the support of every voter, both native born and naturalized who has the best interests of the state at heart. It will not work any hardships on any foreigner nor any one else. It will be a better protection to the naturalized citizen than the way it is now. It is one of the important bills on the ballot and should be passed.

As to the other bills no body will be hurt if they are all killed, while if some of the more vicious ones are passed nearly everybody will be damaged. Our advice generally is to vote NO unless you know exactly what the bill contains and what its effect will be on the industrial life of the state. Be safe and sure when you cast your ballot.

## EIGHT HOUR DAY AND DISASTER.

At this time it is paramount that the voters of the state be fully warned against the viciousness of the universal constitutional eight-hour-day amendment proposed for the state upon initiative to be voted on next Tuesday. This is among the most threatening provisions confronting the people at this election, and its emphatic elimination from the twenty-nine other propositions to be submitted at that time should be made a special order of business by each voter. This proposed amendment is not only illogical as a working course in the commerce of the state inapplicable to the conditions of competition enveloping every business interest carried on in Oregon, but is a menace to the very element of the people it is foolishly designed to relieve—the working men and women, the supporters of families and the bread winners of every degree and sphere.

The eight-hour day is an ideal. It is an outcropping of socialism employed for the lure of it and the blind supposition that it can be maintained against every radical, forbidding impulse of the industrial life of the people of this state, county, municipal and district, which are arbitrarily immune from competitive exaction and custom, can bear the losses incident to the abatement of time devoted to labor. No private capital, time nor profit is immune to the rule, and its enforcement would simply drive progressive industry beyond the confines of the commonwealth be-

cause of its universality and stringent penalties. There are on reservations whatever under this proposed law. It is overwhelmingly conclusive. It comprehends every class of work and worker, and spares no man, company or corporation employing help, skilled, professional, scientific and common. It strikes a sledge-hammer blow at the farmer particularly. Its provisions would crimp the householder, the factory operator, the business man, the railway, and would double and treble the cost of labor to everybody for the reason that every business now employing labor to any extent whatever would be compelled to maintain from two to three shifts of labor in the twenty-four hours of the day, a demand to which only the minutest fraction of invested capital in this or any other state can subscribe with any hope of living profit at all.

The army of the unemployed would swell prodigiously with the enactment of this impractical proposal. The state would be set back in its industrial momentum a quarter of a century, and the futility of it would be evidenced in a thousand and one denials and impediments now unknown to the willing worker. It is time the employer and the employed of Oregon were silencing this false economic note and be ready to save themselves from its reactionary effects. There is already too little sentiment for fair play in the whole commercial fabric, and just now, certainly, is the time to kill this fool-dream and pass it on to times better attuned to its fanciful accomplishments. At this matter-of-fact hour, this already time of commercial and industrial paralysis, Oregon can ill afford to stand for such phantasy, and her people will do themselves incalculable good by striking the blow which shall resound through many years of hard and practical life to which capital and labor must bend and bear before either dare husband the thought of so chimerical a scheme and such a paralyzing practice.

James Withycombe is the friend of the farmer. He knows the needs of the farmer of Oregon better than any other man in the state. He knows that the farmer is over burdened with taxes and is not receiving full value for the money. He knows also that other people besides farmers are in great need of relief from extravagance and high taxes. Dr. Withycombe is a clean man with an honorable record of more than forty years in Oregon. No breath of suspicion is breathed against him even by his political enemies who are in sore straits for some campaign argument against him. The worst thing they can think of is that he has an adviser. And that is just for political effect. The voters of Oregon have confidence in Dr. Withycombe. The campaign against him now is a most unheard of one. He will be elected by a large majority. Let's all vote for him and make it as near unanimous as possible in this county and show to the world that we have confidence in a worthy man.

If the predictions of the Portland Journal regarding the election of Senator Chamberlain and Dr. Smith, are all as nearly correct as the one contained in a story yesterday in that paper saying that Columbia County was strong for Chamberlain and Smith, the Republicans may rest easy. Of all the counties in the state sure to return large majorities for Booth and Withycombe, Columbia is the most certain. But that is one of the political methods of the leading democratic papers, to publish optimistic reports for its candidates, whether there is reason for them or not. Dr. Withycombe will carry Columbia County by nearly a two to one vote and Mr. Booth's majority over Senator Chamberlain will be nearly as large, so we admonish the voters of this county not to be induced to vote the democratic ticket just in order to be on the winning side. Vote the Republican ticket straight and you will never regret it.

While looking over the ballot next Tuesday it would be well to remember that the office of Representative in Congress is one of the important political offices to be filled. A vote for W. C. Hawley is a vote for the return of the principles of the Republican party, the party we all need just now.

This is a good year for everybody to vote the straight Republican ticket. There is actual need for it. It means much to every person in Oregon.

The bald headed old bach who marries at the age of 50 will have a glorious time buttoning her up the back and hunting for invisible hooks and eyes.

When a man's brains shrink his head swells.

Few meddlers ever win medals.



To the electors of Columbia County:  
Having received the Progressive Nomination for the office of Sheriff, which nomination came to me unsought and unexpected, and having been "fired" as Deputy Sheriff for the sole and only reason that I had received and accepted said nomination, which, by the way has been done this year by a great number of State and County candidates in Oregon, I have decided to leave my name on the ballot and ask a fair consideration at the hands of the voters of Columbia County. I have been Deputy Sheriff for more than 3 years and stand on my record as a law enforcing officer.

If elected, I promise:—  
1. That I will enforce the laws as I find them in the Statute books of Oregon, and if the State is voted dry, I will use all the power of the Sheriff's office to keep Columbia County dry.  
2. That I will not appoint as my chief deputy any member of my family, or any man who has held a County office in Columbia County.  
3. That I will insist upon the County Court auditing my books at their regular sessions, as by law provided.

4. That I will serve all processes promptly and will make honest efforts to apprehend any and all law violators for which I may hold warrants.  
5. That I will administer the affairs of the office efficiently, and as economically as is consistent with good service.

Assuring you of my appreciation of your support on the 3rd day of November, I am,

Very respectfully,  
A. B. LAKE  
(Paid Advertisement)

## ANNOUNCEMENT

R. S. Hattan, candidate for County Treasurer on the Democratic Ticket submits to the people of Columbia County his candidacy and asks the consideration of the voters.

R. S. HATTAN

To the People of Columbia County:  
Miss Mary G. MacLay of Columbia City announces to the voters of Columbia County her candidacy for the office of County Clerk at next regular election. Democratic nominee.  
MARY G. MACLAY,  
Pd. Ad. Columbia City.

## "No Interests to Serve but the Public Interests."

The people of Oregon sent Representative Hawley to Congress because he was clean and specially equipped to serve his native state.

He has made good and has acquired experience and standing in Congress, serving ALB the people and securing more than \$4,000,000 for waterways, public buildings and other purposes in the First District.

He has not been away from his duties at Washington ten days in the last 600 days.

A vote for him is one for a Faithful, Industrious, Honest, Able and most successful Public Servant.

(Please read his record and platform in voters' pamphlet.)

Republican Congressional Committee

W. J. CULVER,

Chairman.

## REPRESENTATIVE

W. C. HAWLEY

Republican Direct Primary Nominee for Re-election to Congress

(Paid Advertisement)

# AN EDITORIAL

By OSWALD WEST  
Governor of Oregon



OSWALD WEST

OREGON should go dry because there does not exist a single reason on earth why it should stay wet.

The war news from Europe strikes us with horror; yet this great war, with all its carnage, past, present and future, will not prove a drop in the bucket compared with the ravages which are being made throughout the land by booze.

We boast we are the greatest nation upon earth, and in our efforts to preserve this position we boast we must strive constantly to raise, or at least maintain, the standard of our citizenship, and to accomplish this end we must unceasingly fight organized greed and graft, stamp out poverty, vice and crime, protect the home and make life more pleasant for those who have been less fortunate than others. It is idle, however, to talk of progress along those lines so long as King Alcohol

occupies the throne.

Who grabs the pay check from the honest workman on Saturday night and makes his wife and little ones go hungry?

Mr. Booze.

Who sows the seeds of poverty and distress everywhere?

Mr. Booze.

Who loads upon us most of our tax burdens?

Mr. Booze.

The Wets protest against our voting the state dry because it will close Paul Wessinger's brewery and be equivalent to the confiscation of his property, but they do not tell you how the brewery was built through the ruination of homes and the confiscation of pay checks. They do not tell you that every brick in the building represents a broken heart and the color of the building is emblematical of the blood which has dripped therefrom.

Whenever I think of the devil I think of booze, and whenever I think of booze I think of the devil, for the devil is booze and booze is hell.

Old Booze is an outlaw who has been long pursued but never subdued. At no time and under no circumstances should he be given quarter, and it is the duty of every good citizen to stand ready to sand-bag him whenever he sticks his head in sight. All Oregon will have a chance to sand-bag him on November 3, and for the Lord's sake let us make a good job of it.

IF YOU BELIEVE WITH GOVERNOR WEST, VOTE—

OREGON DRY, 332 X YES

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